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RESPONSE

First, the applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the personal interview, conducted June 13, 2006. The applicant agrees that the discussion was fruitful and helped further prosecution. During the interview, the applicant demonstrated how the claims find support in the provisional application, upon which priority is claimed. The Examiner concluded that the provisional does support the claims, thus the cited Barney reference (6,556,992) is not prior art.

In view of the Examiner's finding that the applicants' provisional application does support the claimed subject matter, it is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn. It is further submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner wish to have further discussion with applicant(s) regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 248-641-1600.

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